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Magneto has lost the war against ordinary humans for which he sacrificed the well-being of his children. Now he is forced to watch his daughter Wanda, the Scarlet Witch, suffer a loss of control over both her powers and her grip on reality. Quicksilver, Wanda's brother Pietro, pleads with their estranged father to help her.

Mutant leader Charles Xavier, who is unable to help the Scarlet Witch, gathers the Avengers and the X-Men to decide how to proceed. The heroes are not convinced that killing Wanda is the only solution, so they travel to the mutant nation of Genosha to confront her, in the hope of discovering what it is that she wants.

When they get to the island, Wanda is missing, as are Magneto and Pietro.

Then the world burns to white.

HOUSE OF M

Reality as we knew it is gone...

...replaced by a society in which humans are the oppressed minority and mutants run the culture, ruling over all existing countries, religions and politics. A kingdom united under the House of M.

Through the mysterious powers of a young girl named Layla Miller, a group of heroes has been shown the truth about how life used to be. Led by the mutant Cyclops, they head to Genosha to face Magneto in a do-or-die mission, with the fate of the entire world hanging in the balance.

The epic battle comes to a halt when Magneto is awakened to the reality of the changed world around him, and Doctor Strange discovers that it was not Magneto who caused the House of M to be created, but rather his son, the former Avenger Quicksilver. Desperate to save his sister's life, Quicksilver convinced Wanda to use her powers to tap into Charles Xavier's psychic abilities and give everyone, including Magneto, what they have always desired.

When Magneto turns on Quicksilver, Wanda lashes out at her father. She blames his selfish desire to lead the mutant revolution as the reason their childhood was a disaster and their adult lives have crumbled. Wanda says three words: No More Mutants.

Before the gathered heroes can react, the world goes white one more time...

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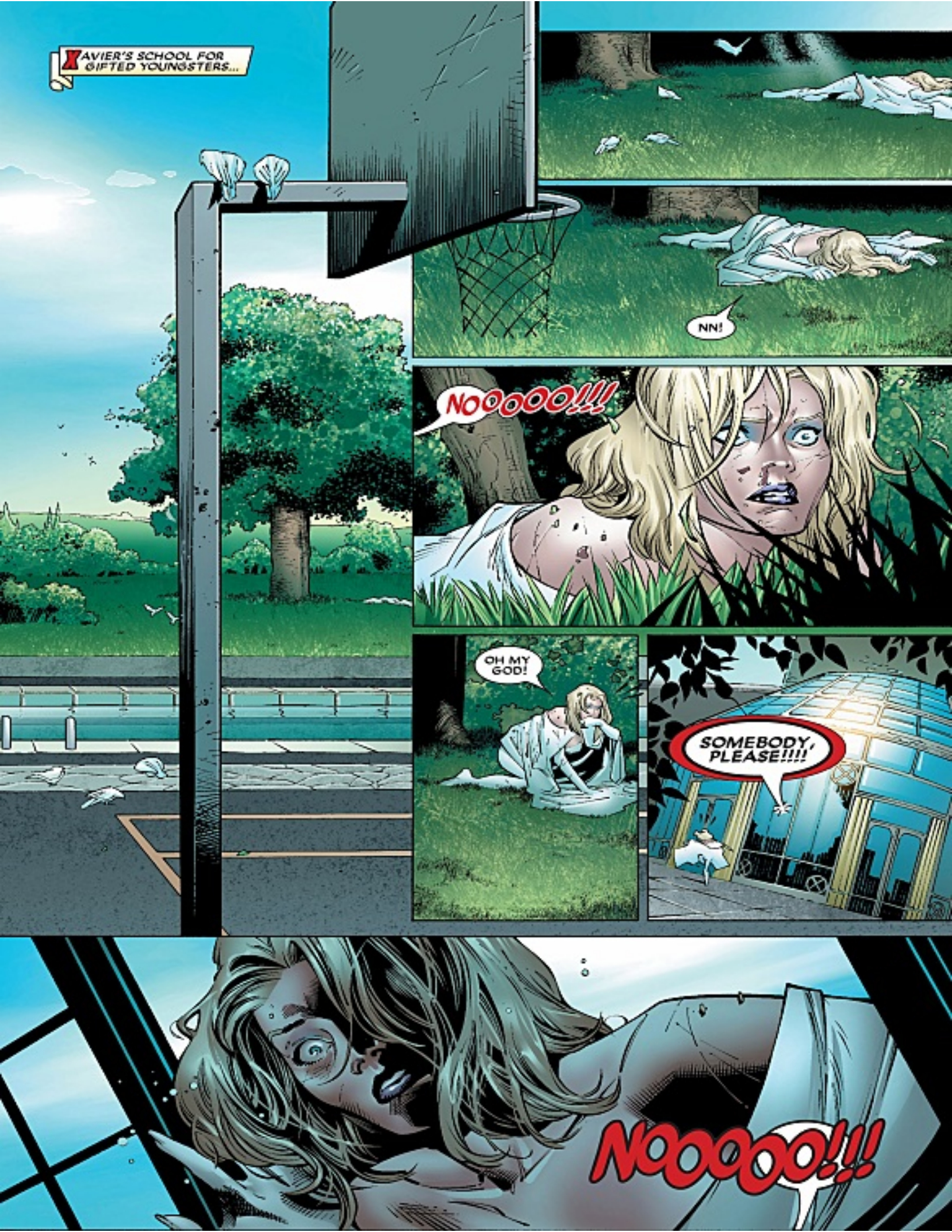
LAYLA ROSE MILLER, YOU ARE GOING TO BE LATE FOR SCHOOL!!
GET UP!!

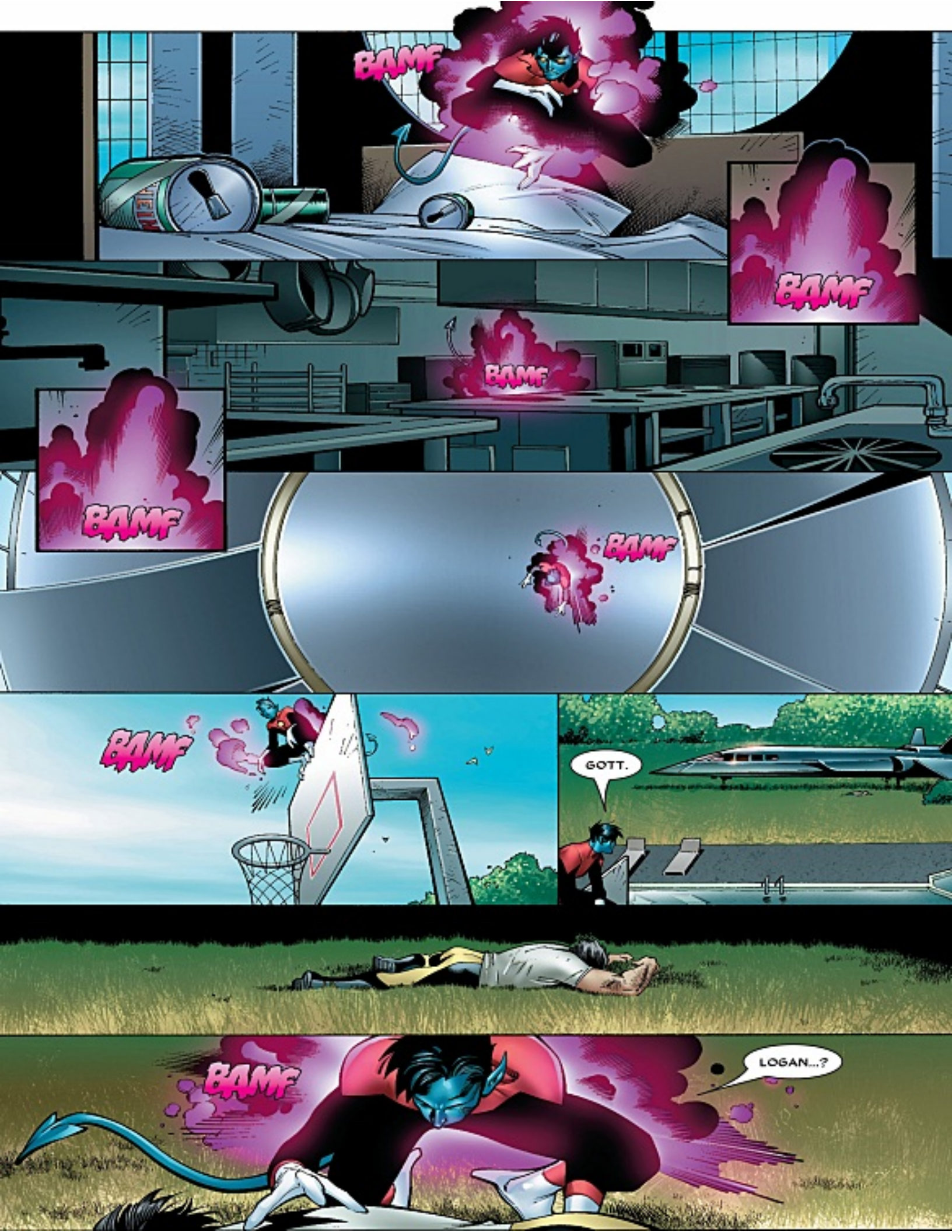
AVENGERS TOWER...
YOU OKAY, MR. PARKER?
HEADACHE.
TRY NOT GETTING HIT ON THE HEAD BY BIG MECHANICAL OCTOPUS ARMS SO MUCH.
YEAH.

OKAY, WHAT THE HELL WAS *THAT?*
ONE MINUTE WE'RE IN GENOSHA FIGHTING-- FIGHTING JUST ABOUT *EVERYTHING* AND *EVERYONE*...
...AND THE NEXT I'M TUCKED IN MY BED.
WAS IT THE SAME FOR EVERYONE, SHE-HULK?
UH, *WHERE* WERE WE?
I'M A LITTLE CONFUSED, JENNIFER. I WAS JUST HERE AND THEN I--
LET'S JUST WAIT FOR EVERYONE TO SHOW UP AND WE'LL...
PETE?
YEAH.
YOU OKAY? MJ?
YOU REMEMBER?
MJ DOESN'T REMEMBER.
REMEMBER *WHAT?*
ANYONE ELSE FEEL LIKE SCREAMING?
GENTLEMEN, LADIES...
WHO CALLED THE MEETING THIS--
HOW--WAIT-- HOW ARE WE *HERE*? WE WERE JUST THERE, AND NOW WE'RE HERE.
WHERE?
IRON MAN, YOU DON'T REMEMBER EITHER?
REMEMBER WHAT, LUKE?
AAAUUUAARRGGH!
WHAM
JEEZ!

HEY!
YOU'LL BUY A NEW ONE.
WHAM
CRACK
BUT-BUT EVERYTHING IS BACK TO NORMAL NOW.
RIGHT?
EVERYTHING SEEMS...OKAY NOW.
NOT QUITE.
NOT...


XAVIER'S SCHOOL FOR GIFTED YOUNGSTERS...
NN!
NOOOOO!!!
OH MY GOD!
SOMEBODY, PLEASE!!!!
NOOOOO!!!

EMMA, EMMA...
THE STUDENTS!
"NO MORE MUTANTS," SHE SAID, "NO MORE MUTANTS!"
I-I'M FINE. IS SHE--?
KITTY, ARE YOU--?
SHE FAINTED.
MS. FROST, IS SOPHIA GOING TO BE--?
SHE FAINTED. SHE'S FINE. EVERYTHING'S FINE.
BUT SHE LOST HER POWERS!
ARE YOU OKAY, KURT?
WHAT IS GOING ON? HOW ARE VE *HERE* WHEN VE VERE JUST *DERE*?
WHERE *WERE* YOU?
"NO MORE MUTANTS..."
I STILL HAVE MY POWERS. MAYBE WE--OH NO... LOGAN!
IF HE TOO LOST HIS ABILITIES, THE ADAMANTIUM--
--IN HIS SKELETON WOULD KILL HIM! KURT--
I'M GONE.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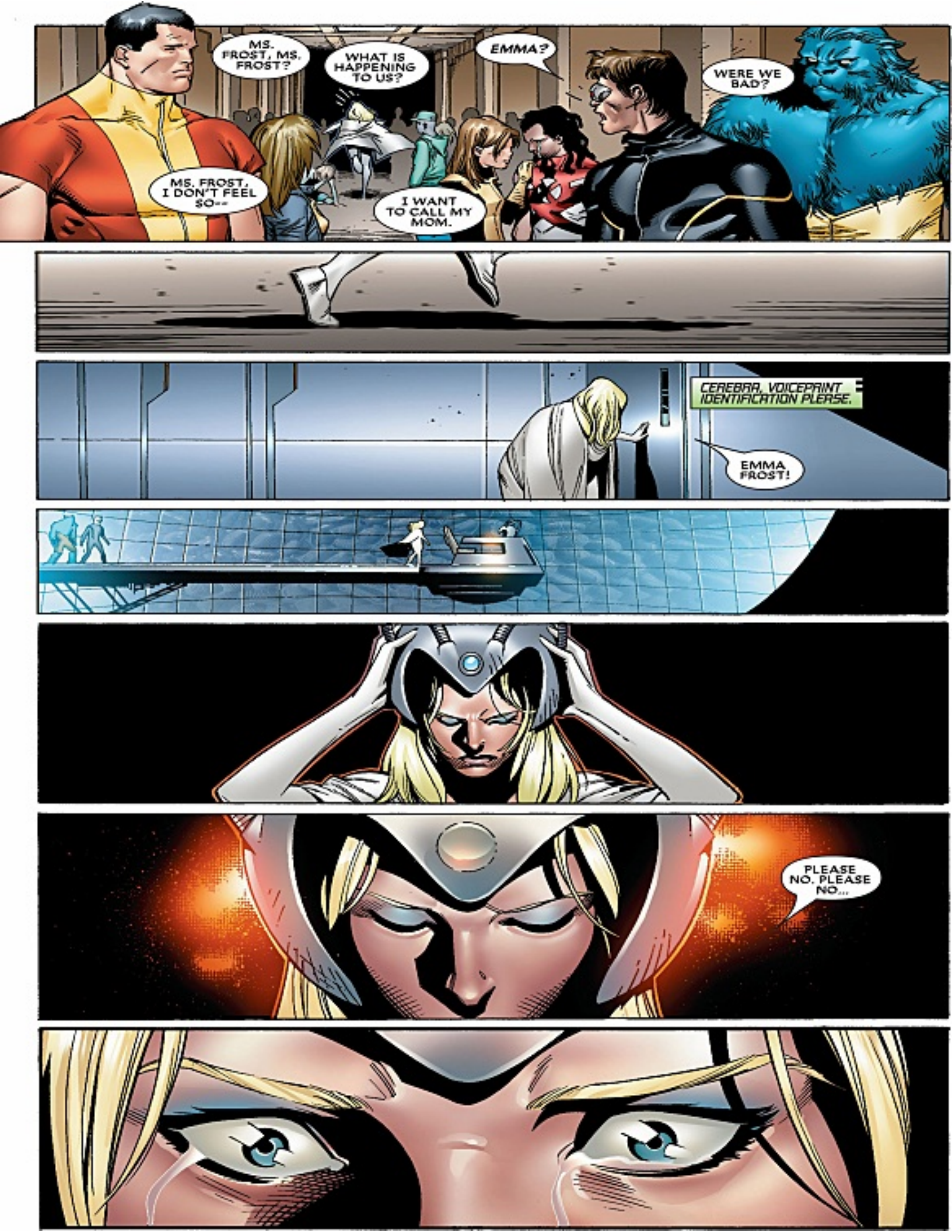
GOTT.
LOGAN...?

I REMEMBER.
MY WHOLE LIFE...
I REMEMBER ALL OF IT.


MS. FROST, MS. FROST?
WHAT IS HAPPENING TO US?
EMMA?
WERE WE BAD?
MS. FROST, I DON'T FEEL SO--
I WANT TO CALL MY MOM.
CEREBRA, VOICEPRINT IDENTIFICATION PLEASE.
EMMA FROST!
PLEASE NO. PLEASE NO...

EMMA, IS THAT--?
IS THAT--?
SCOTT, CEREBRA WAS CREATED TO LOCATE MUTANT ACTIVITY ALL OVER THE WORLD.
I'VE BEEN HERE SINCE I WAS FOURTEEN. I KNOW WHAT CEREB--
I'M TELLING YOU--IT'S ON FULL POWER.
THIS-THIS-- RIGHT NOW, THIS IS ALL THE MUTANTS... ON THE PLANET.

THERE WERE...
TENS OF THOUSANDS.
A MILLION, MAYBE?
NOT ANYMORE.
ARE THEY DEAD?
NO, NOT AS FAR AS I CAN TELL.
JUST NOT...MUTANTS ANYMORE.
I-I TRIED TO STOP HER-- I TRIED--
WHERE'S WANDA MAXIMOFF?
I DON'T SEE HER.
I DON'T--I DON'T-- I DON'T SEE ANYONE.
XAVIER?
EMMA!! FIND XAVIER!
HE'S NOT...

DID-DID I DO SOMETHING WRONG?
OF COURSE NOT, TAG.
ARE MY POWERS GOING TO COME BACK? WHAT HAPPENED TO SOPHIA?
WHAT IS GOING ON, KITTY? PLEASE JUST SOMEONE--
I'M STILL A MUTANT, RIGHT?
HOLD ON...

DANI, DO YOU REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED YESTERDAY?
DANI?
DANI, PLEASE...
WHEN?
WITH THE HOUSE OF M.
HOUSE OF M?
YOU DON'T REMEMBER?
WHY DO YOU NOT REMEMBER?

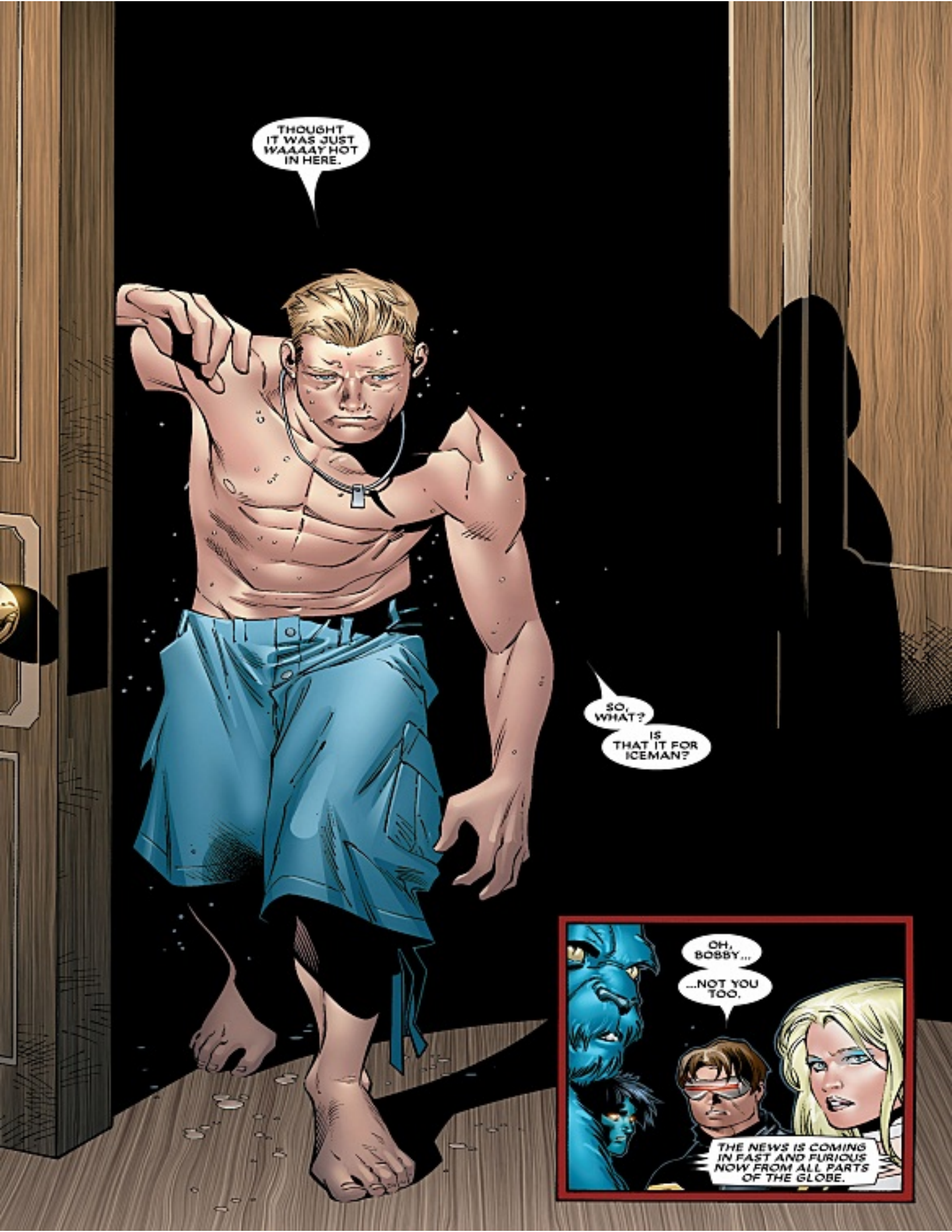
REMEMBER WHAT?!!!
MS. FROST? WHAT SHOULD WE--?
I NEED TO CALL MY MOMMY.
OH MY GOD. EMMA, HALF THE SCHOOL--
IT'S A LOT WORSE THAN THAT.

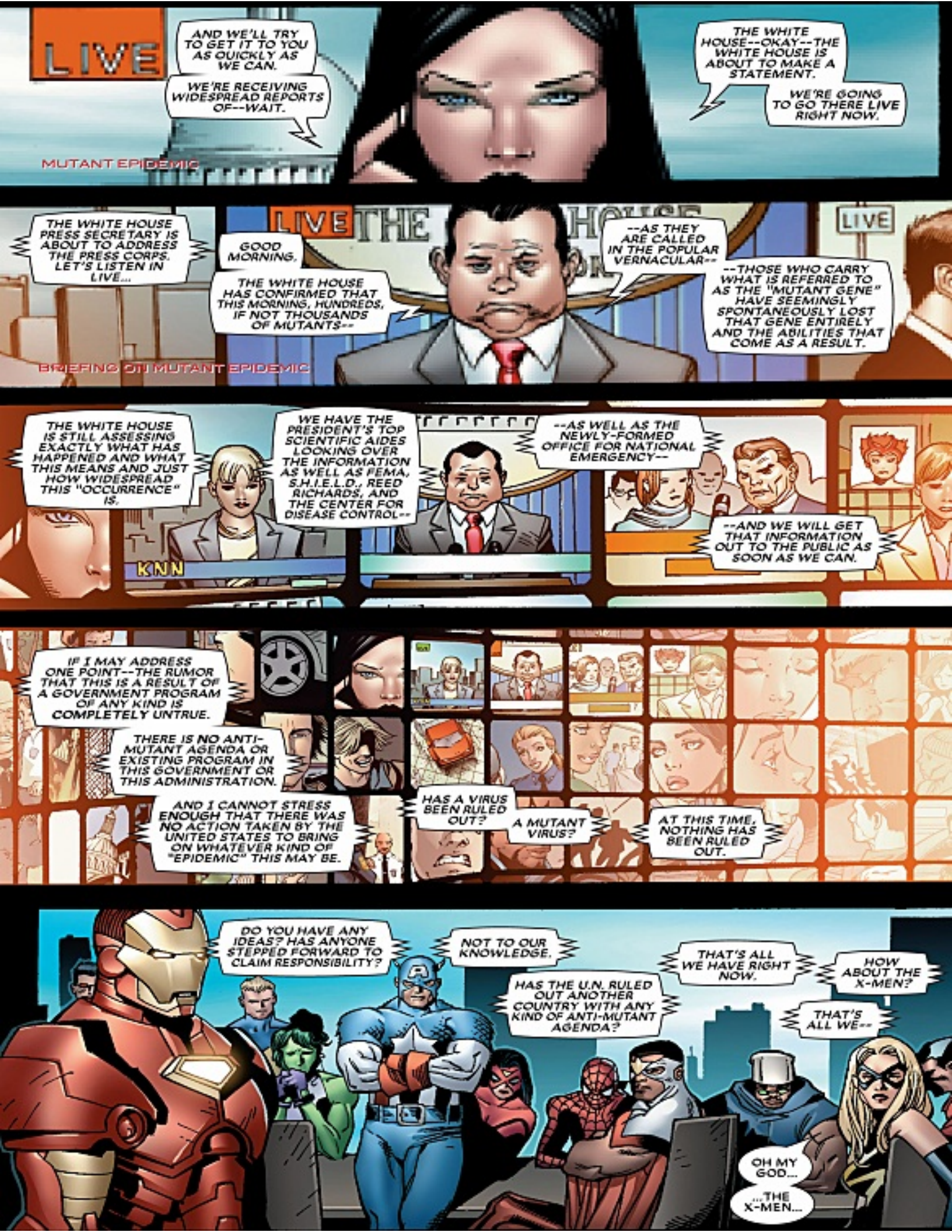
MS. FROST? IS THE--
REMEMBER WHAT?
IS THE SCHOOL CLOSING OR--
IS THIS A TEST?

EVERYONE JUST STOP!

SORRY...
...BUT I-I NEED TO FIGURE OUT EXACTLY WHAT'S HAPPENED HERE.
(OKAY, OKAY. I JUST NEED TO THINK...)
DID SHE--DID SHE JUST DELETE THE MUTANT GENE FROM EVERYONE SHE COULD REACH OR--
--OR DID SHE JUST REPRESS THE MUTATION?

XAVIER WOULD KNOW.
XAVIER WOULD KNOW WHAT THIS IS.
WELL, AT LEAST I KNOW IT'S NOT JUST ME...


THOUGHT IT WAS JUST WAAAAY HOT IN HERE.
SO, WHAT?
IS THAT IT FOR ICEMAN?
OH, BOBBY...
...NOT YOU TOO.
THE NEWS IS COMING IN FAST AND FURIOUS NOW FROM ALL PARTS OF THE GLOBE.


LIVE
AND WE'LL TRY TO GET IT TO YOU AS QUICKLY AS WE CAN.
WE'RE RECEIVING WIDESPREAD REPORTS OF--WAIT.
MUTANT EPIDEMIC
THE WHITE HOUSE--OKAY--THE WHITE HOUSE IS ABOUT TO MAKE A STATEMENT.
WE'RE GOING TO GO THERE LIVE RIGHT NOW.
THE WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY IS ABOUT TO ADDRESS THE PRESS CORPS. LET'S LISTEN IN LIVE...
LIVE
GOOD MORNING.
THE WHITE HOUSE HAS CONFIRMED THAT THIS MORNING, HUNDREDS, IF NOT THOUSANDS OF MUTANTS--
--AS THEY ARE CALLED IN THE POPULAR VERNACULAR--
--THOSE WHO CARRY WHAT IS REFERRED TO AS THE "MUTANT GENE" HAVE SEEMINGLY SPONTANEOUSLY LOST THAT GENE ENTIRELY AND THE ABILITIES THAT COME AS A RESULT.
LIVE
BRIEFING ON MUTANT EPIDEMIC
THE WHITE HOUSE IS STILL ASSESSING EXACTLY WHAT HAS HAPPENED AND WHAT THIS MEANS AND JUST HOW WIDESPREAD THIS "OCCURRENCE" IS.
KNN
WE HAVE THE PRESIDENT'S TOP SCIENTIFIC AIDES LOOKING OVER THE INFORMATION AS WELL AS FEMA, S.H.I.E.L.D., REED RICHARDS, AND THE CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL--
--AS WELL AS THE NEWLY-FORMED OFFICE FOR NATIONAL EMERGENCY--
--AND WE WILL GET THAT INFORMATION OUT TO THE PUBLIC AS SOON AS WE CAN.
IF I MAY ADDRESS ONE POINT--THE RUMOR THAT THIS IS A RESULT OF A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM OF ANY KIND IS COMPLETELY UNTRUE.
THERE IS NO ANTI-MUTANT AGENDA OR EXISTING PROGRAM IN THIS GOVERNMENT OR THIS ADMINISTRATION.
AND I CANNOT STRESS ENOUGH THAT THERE WAS NO ACTION TAKEN BY THE UNITED STATES TO BRING ON WHATEVER KIND OF "EPIDEMIC" THIS MAY BE.
HAS A VIRUS BEEN RULED OUT?
A MUTANT VIRUS?
AT THIS TIME, NOTHING HAS BEEN RULED OUT.
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS? HAS ANYONE STEPPED FORWARD TO CLAIM RESPONSIBILITY?
NOT TO OUR KNOWLEDGE.
HAS THE U.N. RULED OUT ANOTHER COUNTRY WITH ANY KIND OF ANTI-MUTANT AGENDA?
THAT'S ALL WE HAVE RIGHT NOW.
HOW ABOUT THE X-MEN?
THAT'S ALL WE--
OH MY GOD...
...THE X-MEN...

TONY, TURN THE VOLUME UP ON THIS ONE...
--HAVE FORETOLD THIS IN THE SCRIPTURE FOR YEARS NOW, AND NOW THE CLEANSING HAS FINALLY BEGUN.
THE ABOMINATION OF HUMANITY THAT WAS "MUTANTKIND" IS NOW SEEN TO BE WHAT IT ALWAYS WAS...A DISEASE OF OUR OWN DECADENCE AND INDULGENCES.
GOD'S WILL HAS BEEN DONE, AND NOW IT IS UP TO MAN TO FINISH HIS WORK.
RYKER, EVANGELIST
T THEOLOGIST
NEVER MIND. TURN THE IDIOT OFF.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY. I HAVE NO RECOLLECTION OF ANY HOUSE OF M--OF THIS--HAPPENING.
NEITHER DO I.
WE BELIEVE YOU, OF COURSE--EVERY WORD. WE-WE JUST WOKE UP AND HERE WE ARE.
AIN'T WE LUCKY.
I THINK--I SERIOUSLY THINK I'M GOING TO BE SICK.
IT WOULD SEEM ONLY THOSE WHO WERE THERE AT THE EVENT--
--THOSE PROTECTED BY EMMA FROST'S PSYCHIC DEFENSE AND MY SPELL-CASTING-- REMEMBER THE EVENTS AS THEY TRANSPIRED.
DOCTOR STRANGE, CAN YOU LOCATE WANDA MAXIMOFF?
YEAH, YEAH, YOU HAD SAID ONCE THAT THE MAGICS SHE USED CREATED A-A--
A MAP. YES.
I TRIED THIS A FEW TIMES BEFORE I CAME OVER HERE.
I CAN'T-- I CAN'T FIND ANY SIGN OF HER.
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, DOCTOR?
MY DUTIES AS MASTER OF THE MYSTIC ARTS ARE SIMPLE.
PROTECT THIS WORLD FROM AN ATTACK JUST LIKE THIS.
I FAILED.
COMPLETELY.

DOCTOR, COULD YOU-- UM--
COULD YOU USE SOME OF THAT MAGIC WHAMMY ON ME SO I JUST TOTALLY FORGET WHAT HAPPENED?
THAT'S NOT HOW THE MAGICS WORK.
YEAH, WELL, I'M GIVING YOU PERMISSION TO GO IN THERE AND SCOOP IT RIGHT OUT.
I CAN'T--I'M SORRY.
I SAID, TAKE IT OUT!!!
DON'T.
SORRY.
SO WHAT? WE GO TO THE PRESS WITH THIS, RIGHT?
TELL THEM WHAT *REALLY* HAPPENED.
AND TELL THEM *WHAT*?
TO ROUND UP WHAT'S LEFT OF MUTANTKIND BEFORE IT HAPPENS AGAIN?
UM, SIRS...
YEAH, YEAH, I SEE IT.
WHAT?
THERE'S SOMEONE AT THE MANSION.

WHERE?
THIS WAY.
WHAT IS THIS?

ER HAWKEYE DEAD

MYSTERY SURROUNDS THE FALLEN HERO'S FATE

By Kat Farrell

Government authorities and representatives of the Avengers have confirmed that costumed hero Hawkeye was, as previously rumored, part of the destruction that fell on Avengers Mansion early this week. He joins the confirmed deaths of Scott Lang, a.k.a. Ant-Man, and the Vision.

Hawkeye was one of the elder statesmen of the perennial supergroup. His colorful statements to the press and public confrontations with Captain America kept him a fan favorite during the many incarnations of the Avengers.

There will be no funeral service or memorial at the deceased's request.

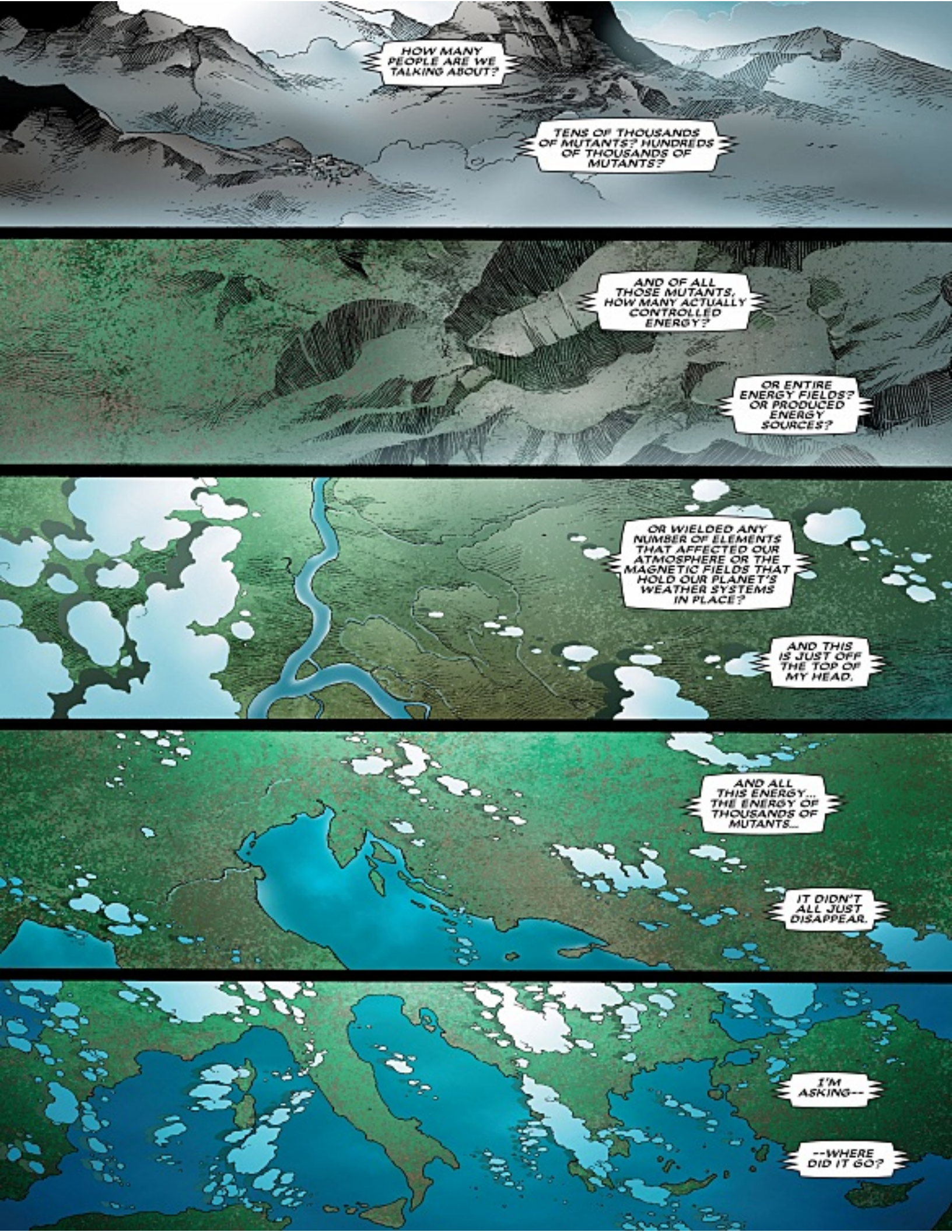
A heavy veil of national security still surrounds the events of last Wednesday, but authorities tell the Daily Bugle that this was not only one of the worst days in Avengers history, but when the entire story is told to the public, it will go down in history as one

GENOSHA...
WHERE IS SHE, MAGNUS?

WHERE IS SHE?!!
FAM
I DON'T KNOW.
SNIKT
LOST YOUR POWER OVER METAL, HAVE YUH?
SNAKT
I DIDN'T!!
SNIKT

STOP.
WHERE'S CHARLES XAVIER?
I DON'T KNOW.
WHERE'S YOUR SON PIETRO?
I DON'T KNOW.
WHERE'S YOUR DAUGHTER?
I DON'T KNOW!!
HE'S NOT LYING.
THEN WE'RE JUST ABOUT OUTTA REASONS TO KEEP YOU ON THIS PLANET.
GUYS...
...HE DIDN'T DO THIS.
YEAH.
AND THE WAY I SEE IT--HE DESERVES EVERY *SECOND* OF THE REST OF HIS CRAP "SAPIEN" LIFE.
WHEN WE FIND YOUR KIDS...
...AND WE *WILL*...
...WE'LL BE SURE TO SAY HI FOR YOU.
BEFORE WE SIGN OFF, WE TURN TO REKNOWNED SCIENTIST AND ADVENTURER DOCTOR HENRY PYM, WHO JOINS US LIVE FROM OUR LONDON OFFICE.
DOCTOR, YOUR THOUGHTS...

WELL, IT'S SHOCKING TO SAY THESE WORDS OUT LOUD, BUT WE MAY HAVE SEEN THE EXTINCTION OF AN ENTIRE SPECIES.
AND AS OF RIGHT NOW WE HAVE NO IDEA HOW THIS HAPPENED.
AND I DON'T THINK THAT ANY PERSON OF SCIENCE CAN REST UNTIL WE FIND OUT EXACTLY WHAT HAS HAPPENED AND WHO OR WHAT IS RESPONSIBLE.
BECAUSE NOT ONLY HAS THE MUTANT POPULATION BEEN DEVASTATED...
...AND MY HEART BREAKS FOR ALL MY MUTANT BROTHERS AND SISTERS...
...BUT THINK OF HOW THIS EFFECTS OUR ENTIRE ECOSYSTEM!
THE NATURAL ORDER OF OUR EVOLUTION AS A SPECIES HAS BEEN ALTERED.
'MORNING.
'MORNING.
THE ENTIRE WAY OUR PLANET REACTS TO OUR EXISTENCE HAS NOW CHANGED.
OUR PLANET MAY NOT BE READY TO HANDLE THE SUDDEN CHANGES THAT HAVE BEEN PUT UPON US AND IT.
AND THINK ABOUT THIS...


HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?
TENS OF THOUSANDS OF MUTANTS? HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF MUTANTS?
AND OF ALL THOSE MUTANTS, HOW MANY ACTUALLY CONTROLLED ENERGY?
OR ENTIRE ENERGY FIELDS? OR PRODUCED ENERGY SOURCES?
OR WIELDED ANY NUMBER OF ELEMENTS THAT AFFECTED OUR ATMOSPHERE OR THE MAGNETIC FIELDS THAT HOLD OUR PLANET'S WEATHER SYSTEMS IN PLACE?
AND THIS IS JUST OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD.
AND ALL THIS ENERGY... THE ENERGY OF THOUSANDS OF MUTANTS...
IT DIDN'T ALL JUST DISAPPEAR.
I'M ASKING--
--WHERE DID IT GO?

IT'S SIR ISAAC NEWTON'S THIRD LAW OF PHYSICS... EVERYONE KNOWS IT:
"FOR EVERY ACTION, THERE IS AN EQUAL AND OPPOSITE REACTION."

SO, I'M ASKING? WHAT WILL BE THE REACTION?
THE END

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